

WI-201  
WHITE-WATERS HOUSE  
Whitehaven  
Private

c. 1890-1900

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## HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: WHITE-WATERS HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: WI-201

### MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Development Period(s):  
INDUSTRIAL/URBAN DOMINANCE  
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s): Single-family dwelling

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WI-201  
Magi No.  
DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic WHITE-WATERS HOUSE

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 2723 Church Street ☐ not for publication

city, town Whitehaven ☐ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Robert L. and Margolis D. Waters

street & number 2723 Church Street telephone no.:

city, town Whitehaven state and zip code MD 21856

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court liber 744 Map 65

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 550 P. 26

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☒ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Historically labeled the White-Waters house, this two-story, three-bay frame house is located at 2723 Church Street in Whitehaven, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, center hall frame house faces west with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Built around 1890-1900, the two-story, three-bay, center hall/single-pile frame house rests on a low masonry foundation, and the structure is sheathed with asbestos shingles. The steeply pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the back of the main block is a two-story, three-bay service wing. Joining the house on the Church Street lot are two small frame outbuildings.

The west (main) facade is a symmetrical three-bay elevation with a center entrance and single-pane sash windows. The first floor openings are sheltered by a shed roof, screened-in porch. Marking the second floor are three evenly spaced single-pane sash windows flanked by louvered shutters. The steeply pitched gable roof is finished with extended eaves and exposed rafter feet.

The north and south gable ends are largely alike with a single window opening on each floor. Rising through the center of the single-pile house are two single-flue brick chimney stacks finished with corbelled caps.

The house is extended to the rear by a two-story, three-bay service wing lighted on the first and second floors by four-over-four sash windows. A single-flue brick stove chimney rises through the gable end. Extending from the south side of the kitchen wing is a single-story shed roofed addition.

The interior was not seen.

Located southeast of the house are two small outbuildings, a single-bay, gable-roofed garage and a small storage building. Both buildings are covered with plain weatherboard siding.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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This house falls into Category C, which identifies properties where alterations should be considered carefully since it is a property that adjoins a structure classified in the A or B category and whose impact and potential modified impact as a contributing resource to the district should be examined.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

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CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032-2023  
514-7400

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WHITE-WATERS HOUSE  
2723 Church Street  
Whitehaven, Maryland  
Chain of title

744/550 Bertie H. White

to

10/26/1971 Robert Lee Waters  
Margolis D. Waters

JWTS 454/331 George E. Bahen, Jr.

to

8/27/1958 Edward Randolph White  
Bertie H. White  
Item #1

JCK 136/154 Marion F. Evans  
Alice F. Evans

to

10/8/1924 Edward R. White

JCK 128/409 F. Grant Goslee, Assignee

to

1/25/1923 Marion E. Evans  
Whereas at a public sale made 25th November  
1922 the property was sold to Marion F. Evans  
\$1475.00

JCK 121/449 William K. Leatherbury

to

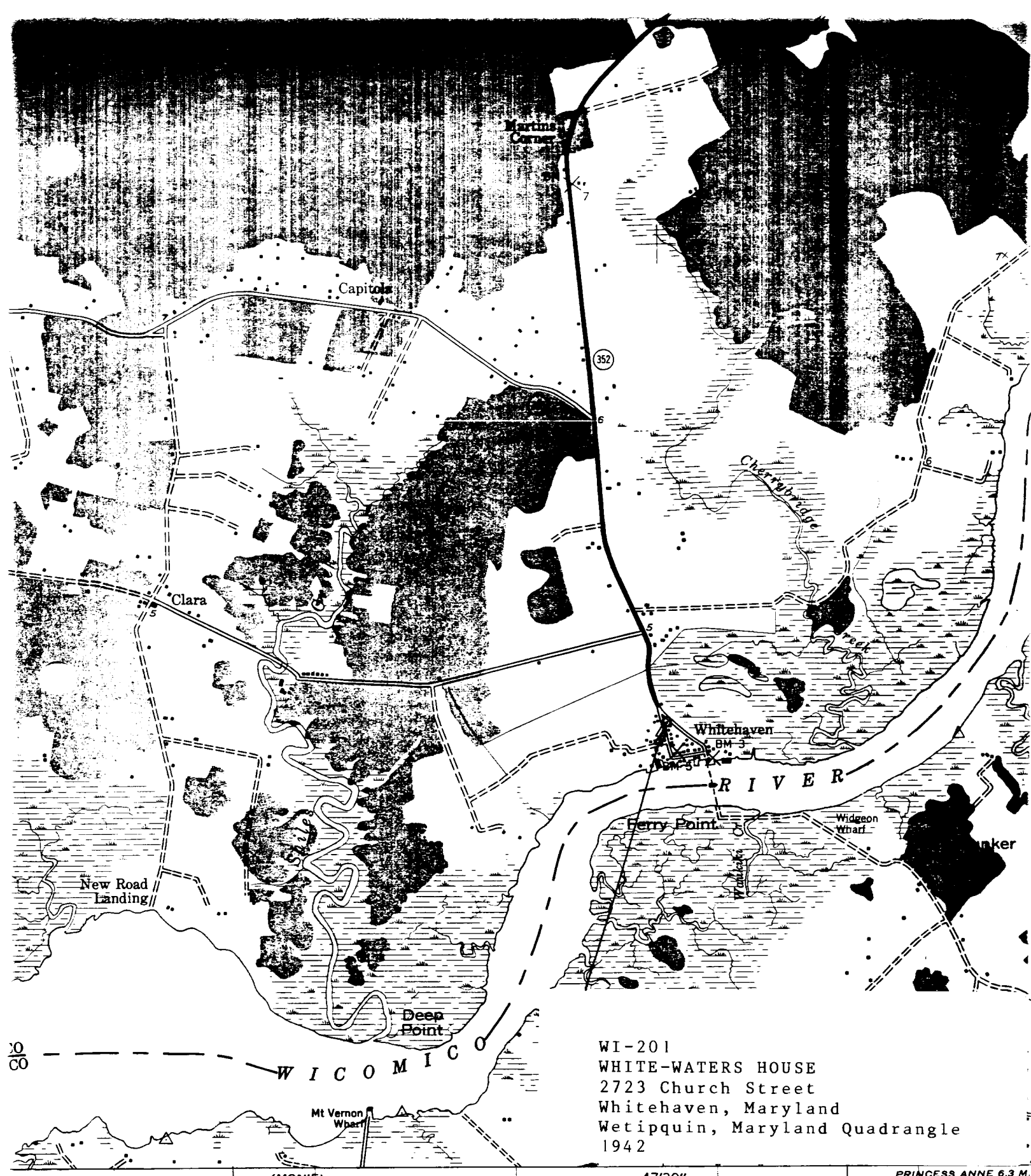
1/17/1920 Uriah Carey

The map shows a residential layout with the following lot labels:

- Top Section:** P115, P49, P50, P53, P51, P26, P27, P28, P29, P30, P31, P32, P33, P34, P37, P38, P39, P40, P41, P42, P120, P119.
- Middle Section:** P117, P149, P52, P54, P13, P12, P36, P13, P37, P38, P39, P40, P41.
- Left Section:** P8, P123, P47, P48, P151, P/O 54, P/O 32, P44, P45.
- Streets:** CHURCH ST., RIVER ST., WHITEHAVEN, CINDER LANE.
- Other Labels:** P/O 32, P44, P45, P46, P42, P120, P119.

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Wicomico County Tax Map 65  
Parcel No. 26





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 2723 Church Street  
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 Wetipquin, Maryland Quadrangle  
 1942

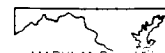
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